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**Organization and Mission — Field**

**17 SURVEILLANCE SQUADRON (17 SURS)**

This regulation gives the mission, organization, and responsibilities of the 17 Surveillance Squadron, San Miguel, RPI, and implements AFR 23-51.

**1. Mission.** To manage and operate, as a dedicated space surveillance sensor, the AN/GPS-10 radar. The radar provides surveillance, tracking, and space object identification (SOI) support for NORAD and Space Command.

**2. Organization.** The 17 Surveillance Squadron is a HQ USAF controlled unit assigned to the 1 Space Wing. Operational resource management for the unit is provided by the Commander, Space Command. Operational control is vested in CINCNORAD/CINCAD through the NORAD Cheyenne Mountain Complex (CMC) or through backup command and control facilities. The organization structure of the 17 SURS is shown in attachment 1.

**3. Responsibilities.** The Commander:

- a. Organizes, trains, and administers assigned personnel to accomplish the mission.
- b. Provides administrative and logistical support to assigned personnel.

c. Establishes training and evaluation programs for operations personnel as directed by the 1 Space Wing.

d. Operates the radar sensor to accomplish the mission.

e. Ensures the accurate and timely transmission of tactical and allied information to satisfy the operational requirements of approved using agencies.

f. Manages a security police function.

g. Evaluates on-site contractor performance in accordance with the statement of work and guidance from the contracting officer.

h. Ensures adequate support is provided per support agreements.

**4. Relationships to Other Units or Agencies.** The Commander may coordinate with other 1 Space Wing units on matters relating to standardization and mission-related activities. The Commander may also communicate with other units or agencies on mission-related matters.

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1 Attachment  
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